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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: William B. GIANNETTI *et al.*
APPLICATION NO.: 10/712,251
FILED: NOVEMBER 13, 2003
FOR: **BALL BAT WITH A STRAIN ENERGY OPTIMIZED
BARREL**

EXAMINER: MARK S. GRAHAM
ART UNIT: 3711
CONF. NO: 8578

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed on June 16, 2004, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraphs [0001] and [0038] as shown in the attached replacement paragraph sheet.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 16-28, and add new claims 29-30, as shown in the attached claim sheets.

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